GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4545
ANSWERED ON:25.08.2005
ARMY CENTRAL WELFARE FUND
Pathak Shri Brajesh

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) the amount contributed by the countrymen in the Army Central Welfare Fund during each of the last three years, till date;

(b) the financial assistance provided to the dependents of armymen killed in the Kargil war from the said fund;

(c) whether any other scheme have been formulated or proposed to be formulated under the Army Central Welfare Fund to provide financial assistance to the dependents of martyrs in future; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI BIJOY KRISHNA HANDIQUE)

(a) The donations received during the past three years are as under:-

Year	Amount
(i) 2002-2003 -	Rs. 81,16,560.39
(ii) 2003-2004 -	Rs. 35,24,611.09
(iii) 2004-2005 -	Rs. 43,02,302.80
(iv) 2005-2006 (Till date) -	Rs. 2,15,031.00

(b) A financial assistance of Rs. 1,56,60,000/- was provided to the dependents of the 522 Kargil martyrs out of the Army Central Welfare Fund at the rate of Rs. 30,000/- to each of the Next of Kin.

(c) & (d): The details of existing schemes as available under Army Central Welfare Fund to provide financial assistance to the dependents of martyrs are given in the Annexure.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN THE REPLY GIVEN IN PARTS (c) & (d) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4545 FOR 25.8.2005

1. Disabled Soldiers (Battle Casualty) retained in service:

Disabled soldiers injured in various military operations with effect from 1st May 1999 onwards and subsequently retained in service are eligible for one time grant out of Army Central Welfare Fund based on their percentage of disability. Details are as under:-

(a) Over 75% disability -Rs. 30,000/-

(b) 50% to 75% disability -Rs. 20,000/-
(c) Less than 50% disability -Rs. 10,000/-

2. Disabled Soldiers (Battle Casualty) Invalided out from Service before completion of Terms of Engagement:

Disabled soldiers (battle casualties) invalided out of service before completion of terms of engagement of service due to injury sustained in various military operations are eligible for one time grant of Rupees One lac each out of Army Central Welfare Fund .

3. Ex-Gratia from Army Central Welfare Fund to all Other Fatal Casualties:

Ex-gratia of Rs 30,000/- is given to the Next of Kin of all deceased soldiers with effect from 1st April 2001.

Note : Applicable to soldiers of Nepal domicile also.